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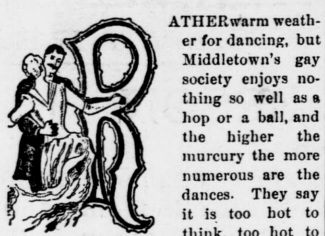
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## PLEASURE SEEKERS

HOW MIDDLETOWN YOUNG PEOPLE DRIVE DULL CARE AWAY.

## LOCAL SOCIETY NOTES

Dance Parties, Picnics and excursions—Augustine Park and Silver Lake Among the Favorite Resorts.



ATHERwarm weather is doing much to draw the young people of Middletown to the various resorts. The young men of our community gave a reception and dance last evening in honor of the Summer guests to our town, at the pretty country home of Miss Sally Cochran. Dancing was the feature of the evening, and the participants, of whom there were about 20 couples, enjoyed a very delightful evening.

Party at Augustine Park. The small excursion parties and picnics which are now so popular with our young people are the saving clause in the decrease for a dull summer at home. No one knows how to arrange these little parties better than Mrs. William Taylor who, with her sister Mrs. James Collins, chartered a party of young people to the park on Tuesday afternoon. The party was very successful, and the young people enjoyed the outing very much. The park is now in the hands of the young people, and as popular as it is pleasant. A large party from Delaware City was there also, besides many other excursions. The various attractions such as the "Switch-back" etc., were found very interesting and the music and dancing, more fascinating than ever. Those who composed the party were: Misses Mabelle Taylor, Bessie Murray, Lizzie Parker, Pearl Smith, Marie McShane, Gray Taylor, Will Collins, Edgar Clark, Allen McDowell, Fred Crouch, Louis Naudin and Jesse Cann.

Picnicking at Silver Lake. There are more ways of having a good time than going to a dance party as a company of Middletown people will testify. It was a very select party, to be sure, that picnicked at Silver Lake Tuesday afternoon, but there was as much enjoyment to be had there as in any other place. The picnic square which is often put into one brick. Supper was served on "the bank of the silver stream," and when night shades began to gather the picnickers were heard coming home. Besides a dozen young folks there were a score or so of children in the party, which was arranged by Misses Beattie.

Children in the Woods. About 50 children with a few older folks had an old fashioned picnic in Armstrong woods last Saturday under the direction of Junior Christian Endeavor Society of First Presbyterian church. It is hard to tell whether the children or the older folks had the best time, as they all came home so merry. Ice cream and cake were abundant and that is always a sure sign of the children's enjoyment.

Gymnasium Dance. The young men of Middletown gave a very enjoyable dance at the gymnasium hall on Tuesday evening, in which a large number of our young society people, with their summer guests, participated.

## CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORS.

Eucharistic Convention at Cleveland, Delaware Gets a Banner. The thirteenth annual International Convention of the United Society of Christian Endeavor began Thursday in the great Seager-Hall, which was crowded with 10,000 people.

Geo. McKinley made the address of Welcome in behalf of the state of Ohio. The secretary's report gave the following items of interest:

West Virginia won the badge-banner for the greatest proportionate increase in the number of local companies during the year.

England took the badge-banner for the greatest absolute gain in the year. It is the first time the honor has gone across the ocean.

Pennsylvania won the junior badge-banner for the greatest absolute gain in the year.

President Clarke was not able to be present, but his address which was given by another is full of inspiration.

Dale's Church Returns Thanks. The laying of the Corner Stone of Dale's A. M. E. Church church on Sunday July 1, was a great event with the members of Hamtown Congregation. There was a large assemblage of both white and colored people and the service through the day counted to \$110, was beyond their expectation and the pastor Rev. Mr. Holly, desires through the Transcript to tender the warmest thanks of the entire congregation to all who contributed to their funds, especially to wife friends whose donations alone was \$36.

Frederick's Hing. Patrick Eugene Frederick, the assassin of Mayor Harrison of Chicago was hung yesterday at 11:48 a. m. being counted "safe enough to be hung judicially." He was bold and collected. Ate a breakfast at 7 and another at 9 and died "game."

Pennsylvania Peach Crop. The railroad authorities at Clayton estimate that there will be 10,500 baskets shipped from Delaware and Chesapeake stations this year, as follows: Hartley, 200; Queen Anne, 4,350; Greensboro, 3,100; Queen Anne, 150; Easton, 2,000; Trappe, 100. There will be about 150,000 baskets on the Peninsula.

## PERSONALITIES

Little Lines About Men and Women and What They Are Doing.

—Rev. R. H. Adams was in town on Wednesday.

—Miss Mary Anderson is visiting friends in York Pa.

—Miss Mary Maxwell is visiting friends in New Castle.

—Miss Clara Moore is home for the summer vacation.

—Miss Lizzie Penington is visiting Miss Clara Moore.

—Miss Ethel Lofland, of McDonough, is visiting in Dover.

—John I. Crossland of St. Georges was in town on Thursday.

—Rev. and Mrs. N. M. Browne returned home on Thursday.

—Miss Clara Moore of McDonough is the guest of Miss Sadie Downey.

—Mrs. L. Darlington and little son Rees are expected home to-day.

—Thomas Cochran Jr. has a position in the Government Printing Office.

—Miss Mary Jackson, of Salisbury, is visiting at the M. E. parsonage.

—Miss Mary Downing is visiting her little niece at Dover this week.

—Miss Alice Ellison, of Mt. Pleasant, is visiting her uncle in New Castle.

—Miss Cora Smith, of Camden, N. J. is visiting relatives and friends near town.

—Mrs. Caroline Vining, of Salem, N. J. is the guest of her brother C. M. Stanger.

—Miss Annie Wilson is making a visit to her sister Mrs. J. W. Roberts near Smyrna.

—Miss Susie Parker is spending a few weeks at Ocean Grove, a guest at Delaware Villa.

—Miss Lola Gardner, of Delaware Water Gap, is a summer guest of Miss Emma Ingram.

—Mr. William Scott, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with the family of C. M. Stanger.

—Miss Fannie Shepherd is at her home in town for a little season of rest and recuperation.

—Mrs. Bell Howell, of Salem, N. J. was the guest of the family of C. M. Stanger, last week.

—Prof. W. B. Tharp attended the National Educational Convention at Asbury Park this week.

—Mrs. Lydia A. Price is among the Middletown guests at the Delaware Villa, Ocean Grove.

—Mrs. Emma Curry, recently of Oregon, is a guest at A. G. Cox's pleasant home on Green Street.

—Mr. and Mrs. D. Warren Wilson, of Philadelphia, are the guests of W. W. Wilson, on Lake St.

—Mrs. Clarence Scott, we are sorry to state, has been quite ill for the past week and is still suffering.

—Mrs. John R. Brown is spending the summer at Ocean Grove with her sister Miss Fanny Kaitledge.

—Mrs. Robert Davis and daughter Miss Mary Davis, of Milford, are summering by the sea at Ocean Grove.

—Miss Mary Dadd, accompanied by her father, took a pleasant little trip down the Chesapeake bay this week.

—Mrs. Manlove Wilson and Miss Mollie Wilson are among the recent guests at Delaware Villa, Ocean Grove.

—Miss Elizabeth Caulk of Sassafras and Miss Imogene Caulk are summer guests of Mrs. H. H. Wilson at Ingleside Md.

—Miss Broughton, who has been the guest of Miss Edna Frazier for the past two weeks, left for Elkton on Tuesday.

—Mrs. J. M. Arthurs and little daughters Edna and Susie, of Kenton, spent this week in town, guests of Mrs. M. B. Harris.

—Miss Helen Naudin is visiting friends in Cambridge.

—Miss Agnes Jones, of Warwick, is the guest of Miss Bertha Edwards, near town.

—Miss Pearl Smith of Denton, and Miss McShane of Queen Anne's are guests of Parker.

—J. C. Stites finds Cambridge an attractive point these summer days, and is spending a brief season at this quaint old Maryland town.

—Miss Nellie Dale who is visiting Miss Edna Frazier, spent several days in Philadelphia this week. She will return to Pocomoke City to-day accompanied by Miss Frazier.

—Misses Blanche and Ada Cochran, Messrs Henry Brady and Clarence Clayton were among those who went on the very delightful excursion to Tolchester on Thursday.

—Misses Emma Walton and Lizzie Beck of Clayton have returned home from a pleasant visit among Middletown friends. While here they were the guests of Miss Bessie Warren.

—Mrs. Frances Beaton, who has been far from well lately, is making a visit in the country, at Geo. W. Rhoades, where she hopes to receive much needed physical health.

## LITTLE LOCALS.

—Our local market is now well supplied with watermelons, and in fact almost every thing found in other markets.

—Hot and dry—is the state of the weather at present, and after such cool days as Sunday and Monday we feel the heat more keenly.

—The full stock of Millinery and fancy goods at Mrs. B. O. Payne's will be offered at public sale to-day. George Ingram, auctioneer will cry the sale. This is a chance for bargains.

—W. R. Reynolds has recently added in insurance to his other business and represents the old and tried Continental Insurance Company. The company is well known and so is Mr. Reynolds, and if you want to take out a policy give him a trial. See his ad. in another column.

—The seashore has not the monopoly of fine fish as our fish market will show. The trout that are brought to the door ready for the pan, makes as good a supper as one could desire, and since brain food is always in demand, fish will not go begging here. Mr. Hall is our local dealer.

—It is really too bad that the Transcript's bachelor editor was left to struggle alone with "dimities, leg-o'-mutton sleeves," etc., last week, when Middletown is so full of charming summer girls, who might have helped him out. We were resting serene in the hope that some fair, sweet girl would tell him just the very things the women folks like to read.

—The locust has begun his summer song, and from his perch upon the tree-top he gives the weather signal. The sings of thrush, junco, harvest, apple and other mid-summer specialties, and when he begins to tune up naturally long for some violin to bower in woodland haunts, where mossy banks and cooling streams abound. The very thought of which has a tendency to lower the mercury in our almost over-flowing thermometer.

—An East India man whose name we did not learn, was in town on Tuesday, and dropped into our office for a little while. He was the most versatile and highly cultured man it was ever our privilege to meet. He has traveled over nearly the whole earth, is conversant with eight or nine languages, and is acquainted with many of the leading men in science and literature, both in this country and Europe. He was educated at the Heidelberg and Edinburgh Universities, and besides his store of book learning knows something of human nature. To hear him talk is like getting a glimpse into the wealth of the Orient.

## CHURCH NOTES.

For the three following Sunday evenings in July, Rev. F. H. Moore of the First Presbyterian Church will preach upon the Rivers, Seas and Mountains of the Bible.

The Presbyterian Church at Dover has given an unanimous call to Rev. Joseph B. Turner, of Altoona, Pa., to be their pastor. The salary is \$1,000 with the parsonage furnished.

There will be the regular services at the M. E. Church to-morrow. Preaching by the pastor at 10.30 a. m. and open air twilight service at 6.30 p. m. All are cordially invited to be present.

Forest Presbyterian Church and the St. Joseph's R. C. Church were the only ones in town open for worship last Sunday. St. Anne's being without a pastor and closed indefinitely, and Rev. Mr. Browne of the M. E. church taking a brief well deserved respite in the country.

The committee having in charge arrangements for a Methodist Protestant Sabbath School convention for the northern district of the Peninsula (embracing Cecil, Kent and Queen Anne's counties in Maryland, and adjacent portions of Pennsylvania and Delaware) have decided to hold the convention at Clayton, on the 16th of August proximo. The convention will consist of all pastors and Sabbath school superintendents, and two delegates from each church and Sabbath school in the district above outlined.

## FIRE ON A THRASHING YARD.

A Maryland Farmer Loses His Entire Crop of Straw.

W. B. Wilmer, a farmer of Morgan's Creek Neck, Kent county, Md., lost his entire crop of wheat straw and other property just as he was about finishing thrashing on Tuesday afternoon. A hard journal on the straw-carrier set fire to the straw just as the last sheaf had been placed in them, and the hands were busy cleaning up around the thrasher. In a few minutes the entire crop of straw was in flames. The loss included straw from ninety acres of wheat, a small quantity of agricultural implements. The thrasher and straw stacker, belonging to Charles Nickerson, were both conveyed to a safe distance and was not damaged.

## TRACTION ENGINE.

The Requirements of the law Regarding Them.

Now that thrashing time has come it might be a wise call the attention of the engine traction to the law on the subject, which requires that a man be sent 30 yards ahead of the engine to notify the public of the engine's approach and to assist in leading teams by it. A failure to comply with this plain requirement of the law is visited with criminal prosecution, besides making the owner responsible for damage done by reason of his negligence. Owners will do well to observe this law. A traction engine is a terror to lady drivers whose horses are fractious.

## Installation of Officers.

G. V. C. Joseph C. Jolls installed the newly elected officers of Damon Lodge, No. 12, on Wednesday evening last at the M. E. church building. The new officers are: P. G. W. Price; C. G. N. Dickinson; V. C. John N. Swartz; Pres. Harry Lightfoot; M. W. G. E. Pinder; K. R. of S. J. C. Jolls; M. of F. G. Ellis; M. of Ex. L. M. Lee; Mat. A. J. A. E. W. Jester. The semi-annual report from this lodge makes a very creditable showing. It having over \$1,000 in revenue. G. V. C. Jolls also installed the following lodges: Washington No. 1, of Wilmington, on July 7th; Lafayette No. 2, of Wilmington, on July 7th; Talleyville No. 19, of Talleyville, on July 9th, and will install Adolphus No. 8, of New Castle on July 14th.

## The Tomato Cannery.

The boiler for the new tomato cannery was tested on Tuesday, and the machinery was found to be in good shape. The cannery will begin to operate in about six weeks when the to-mato harvest will be on.

## DELAWARE VILLA.

One of the most Popular and Pleasant Places at Ocean Grove.

This is one of the most pleasant and popular houses of Ocean Grove. Delightfully located on the corner of Central and Pittman Avenues, only two blocks from the beach, in sight and sound of old ocean, and within a step or two of the Auditorium, Temple and Post Office, it seems to possess every advantage. Under the management of Mrs. Price and Mrs. Culbertson, with the assistance of Miss Addie Hazard, it bids fair to make an enviable record, and everyone who goes there once wants to go again.

The social atmosphere is specially noted, and the guests are observed to be people of the greatest refinement and intelligence, and though they come from far and near, there is the most delightful interchange of thought and social converse that makes the hours on the veranda a special feature of the place. The inner man is well provided for, and cuisine is of the very best. Jacob Moore a well known chef of Dover is at the head of the culinary department, and all his viands are temptingly palatable and wholesome. The maids, laundress and other aids are equally efficient, and the "Villa" is naturally the most popular place at the Grove especially for Delawareans. The rooms are of good size, with convenient closets, clothes presses and bath rooms. The entertainment is surely hard to suit. There are already a number of our town folks among the guests, and we hope many others will take a whiff of sea breeze at this delightful place. Among recent arrivals are Mrs. Lydia Price, Mrs. H. M. Barr, Miss Justis, Mrs. Manlove Wilson, Miss Mollie Wilson, Miss Susie Parker, from Middletown, besides numerous guests from Wilmington, Philadelphia, New Castle, Dover, New York, Plainfield and various points far and near.

## NECROLOGY.

Death of a Prominent Young Man of New Castle.

William H. Clark, of New Castle, died Tuesday after a lingering illness. Mr. Clark was a grandson of Thomas Tucker and a son of Elmer Clark. He was for about eight years the secretary and treasurer of the New Castle Gas and Water Co. and resigned his position a few years ago to go South on account of failing health. He remained in the South until a few weeks ago, when he returned home in a serious condition. His funeral was held Thursday morning. Interment at Mt. Moriah Cemetery.

## Miss Emma Kumpel.

Miss Emma Kumpel, a sister of Michael and Theodore Kumpel of this town, died on Saturday at her home, 2419 Fairmount Avenue Philadelphia, in her 33d year. Her remains were brought to Middletown on Tuesday on 9.08 train and the interment was at Forest Cemetery, Rev. F. H. Moore officiating. The bearers were E. S. Jones, Emily Massey, William Brockway, W. T. Connelley, W. S. Letherbury and J. C. Jolls.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warner Lewis died on Sunday, aged 3 months. The funeral took place on Tuesday.

## WILLIAM J. CLARKE.

Death of an ex-State Treasurer from the infirmities of old age.

Ex-State Treasurer William J. Clarke died Friday night last week at the home of his son-in-law, Caleb Churchman, at Grubb's Landing, near Wilmington. He was 82 years of age and was born in Kent county in 1812. He lived on a farm until he was appointed state treasurer by Governor Peter F. Causey in 1855, and was re-appointed by Governor William Burton, but after serving two years he resigned in 1861. He was a Democrat and took an active interest in politics. Since retiring from public life Mr. Clarke lived in Dover. He was a brother-in-law of Chief Justice Charles B. Loe.

The remains were taken to the home of his son, E. J. Clarke in Dover, where the funeral was held Monday.

## J. STERRETT SMITH DEAD.

A Well-known Farmer and Prominent Politician of Cecil County.

John Sterrett Smith, a well known and prosperous farmer of Cecil county, residing near Blue Ball, Fourth district, died Tuesday morning, after an illness of two days, from apoplexy.

Mr. Smith was a staunch Democrat and a prominent candidate for sheriff last year receiving a highly complimentary vote at the county convention. He was a member of the J. O. U. A. M. and A. O. U. Workmen of Elkton. He was 50 years of age and leaves a wife and several children.

## Mrs. Jenkins Drowned.

Mrs. Jabez Jenkins, a woman about 60 years of age committed suicide by drowning on Sunday night at Dover. The unfortunate lady had left her bed and walked directly to the creek, as was shown by the footprints leading to the wharf, and walked into the water, where she was found at that point, and was drowned. The body was found a short distance away. The clothes which she wore were caught in the branches of a tree. It had been observed that she was quite demoralized and arrangements had been made for her removal to a hospital the very next day.

## AN ACT.

Prohibiting the Sale of Cigarettes to Minors Under the Age of 17 Years.

Section 1.—That from and after the passage of this Act no person or persons shall, within this State, sell or give or purchase or procure for, or furnish or in any way assist any minor, under the age of seventeen years, in obtaining cigarettes or paper specially prepared and intended to be used for the purpose of making cigarettes.

Section 2.—That any person or persons violating the provisions of this Act shall for every such offense be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof by indictment shall be fined not more than one hundred Dollars, or imprisoned for a term of not more than three months, or both at the discretion of the court.

Passed at Dover, April 11th, 1903.

## Rowe-Davis.

Mr. George M. Rowe, of Odessa, and Miss Emma J. Davis, of Smyrna Landing, were married at the Appoquinimink Circuit Parsonage, in Smyrna, Monday evening, July 9th, by Rev. E. H. Hyson. Mr. and Mrs. Rowe will make their home at Smyrna Landing.

## A TWICE TOLD STORY.

The Homage to Legend of Atalanta. With a few Echoes from the Convention.

Shakespeare says there is nothing in a name, but in spite of the Bard of Avon names sometimes carry a good deal of weight. Atalanta, for instance, is such a pretty name, it took our fancy right off, and straightaway we began to search among the almost forgotten lore of our school days, till we found this old mythological story which is ever charming even now. These romantic legends are very fascinating, and though all our readers may not share our weakness on that score, we are quite sure that our conferees who were so delightfully entertained at the Atlanta Hotel in Asbury Park, will be interested in her name.

Atalanta was a Grecian maid, her father, Anax, had prayed the Gods for a son, and when a daughter came instead, he was greatly incensed, and as a mark of his displeasure he placed the young child on the Parthenon Mount, and left her to the mercy of the fates. She was found by a she bear who nourished her, and reared her to womanhood. She was noted for her personal purity and chastity, and was distinguished as being the most fleet-footed of mortals. She participated in the Pelian games, took part in the Caladonian boar hunts and vanquished the Centaurs.

As she grew so famous, her father became reconciled to her being a girl, and restored to her all filial rights. But when he insisted that she choose a husband from her many suitors she made one condition, declaring that the man who won her hand in marriage must first vanquish her upon the race course, for she vowed she would not marry any man whom she could herself out-strip. Those who entered the list and failed were slain.

It was reserved however for one Milanion to win her, but 'twas done through artifice, as many another fair maid has been won since then. He armed himself with three golden apples which he threw in her way as she ran, and being fascinated by their beauty, she could not resist the temptation to stop and pick them up, and through her delay, Milanion not only won the race, but also a wife. But if she gained a good husband by the transaction, she certainly had no cause to repine.

The Atlanta Hotel is well named for this fair Arcadian girl, for it takes the lead in so many things that go to make a pleasant summer home by the sea. In location, equipment and service it is unequalled, and its praises are sung by all the peninsula editors.

## AMUSEMENT NOTES.

The Peninsula Press Association was represented in the Baby Parade at Asbury Park last Saturday. Little Miss Miller Thomas had that honor, and departed herself with becoming dignity.

The Carnival on Wesley Lake on Saturday night was a dream of fairy-land. The beautiful little gondolas, the many colored lights and the graceful windings in and out like the rhythm of poetry. The boats kept measure with the oars, the music now in snatches.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company furnished transportation for the Peninsula editors, their wives, daughters or sisters, to and from Asbury Park, as is their custom at the annual outing. Tickets that took us one way would return us another, so that we had the pleasure of travelling on both routes. The many courtesies which the company extend the editors are very much appreciated.

## OUR WATER MOTOR.

Added to the "Power Behind the Throne" "Kings of the Wheels in Motion."

Instead of hitching our wagon to a star, we were almost persuaded that when we ran off the issue of our paper yesterday.

We have this week completed our water motor attachment, and now our presses—both newspaper and job presses—are run by water power. Our equipment now seems to be about complete, and our facilities for newspaper and job work, are, we think, equal to any on the peninsula.

At the National Convention last week in the discussion as to what is the best power, it was said that the "power behind the throne" was the best. That power we already had to a greater or less degree, and now we have the next best power—a water motor.

Ours is a Turck motor, of three horse power and was set by W. S. Letherbury of this town. The mechanism is very simple and we are more than pleased with it now. But while we are admiring and praising its good qualities we would not forget the faithful service of "Blind Billy" who for years has been the Transcript's motor power. Billy was a valuable adjunct in his way, and we shall always remember his attachment to the press. We have known him these many years, and on the old plantation, before he became blind, he was one of our trusted men, noted for his excellent work and special care of horses. We are sorry that we have no longer a place for him. But when the Transcript shall have established a beneficiary for its disabled employees, and editors, Billy shall be one of the first to be put on pension list.

## THE WHEAT CROP AND MARKET.

The Crop Begins to Move—A Local Merchant Makes Heavy Shipment.

Wheat threshing is the order of the day among our farmers, many of whom have not only threshed but sold and delivered their grain. The yield is not so great as last years but the quality of the grain is much finer. D. W. Corbit of near Odessa had an average yield of 20 bushels to the acre while others report as high as 24 bu. The storms in May damaged the crop in this section considerably.

J. B. Pond a leading grain buyer of this town has purchased over 30,000 bus new wheat which he is shipping at various points. He is loading the schooner Chesapeake at Centreville.

J. Wilson in Bohemia River, Edgar Lee Landry in Blackbird Creek, Steamer Clio in Odessa, besides what is shipped by rail from this station.

J. W. Jolls also an extensive buyer is shipping grain at Millington. Farmers in general seem to favor an early sale this year, even though the price is lower than of yore kind of business carried on in said street excepting undertaking and druggists.

## GOOD NEWS.

Something to Make Life Worth Living.

Have our readers taken notice of the big red letter Z posted on the fences and other vacant spaces around town? Look at them and read the printed matter, and then go to your drugstore and get a 25-cent package of Simmons Liver Regulator and get your liver straightened out, that's just what nine-tenths of the people need. Tell every crotch, crabbed, quarrelsome person you meet to go and do the same thing, then there'll be more peace in the family, less divorce cases, and more money in the Savings Banks. Wonderful how much devilishness is driven out of a person by the help of a good liver. The two are enemies one to the other. They say that Simmons Liver Regulator is Better than Pills. Try it.

Smyrna Takes The Cake.

There is a street in Smyrna, so says the Clayton Call, which only runs the length of one square and contains 20 children, 5 pianos, 8 organs, 4 old maids, 5 widows, 42 cats, 4 violins, 3 harmonicas, 3 dogs, 5 cows, 1 goat. In it are 12 families and on it is 7 places of business. There has been in time every kind of business carried on in said street excepting undertaking and druggists.

## EVERYBODY IS PRAISING THAT GREAT SCHOOL IN WILMINGTON, DEL.

Goldsey Commercial and Shortland College. The graduates get positions. Their catalogue is sent free. See advertisement.

## COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

Interesting Letters From Near-By Towns—Port Penn Has a Mysterious Death—The Body of Mr. Willis Exhumed.

## PORT PENN.

There have been a number of strangers and pilgrims here of late.

Rev. Oscar A. Gillingham preached in the Presbyterian church on Tuesday. The congregations were good both morning and evening. A congregational meeting was appointed for next Sunday, the 15th, for the purpose of electing a pastor if the way be clear from a financial point of view.

The new road below Augustine Park is placed at a safe distance from the shore, and is now being finished off. Owing to the encroachments of storms and high tides, the old road had become unsafe, especially at night.

Governor Reynolds visited Sup. H. D. Griffin several days last week, and fished with him on the jetty, catching twelve dozen fish—at least that number were caught by their party. On the same day (the seventh) Senator Higgins with Messrs. Daniel Corbit and Pennell Higgins, visited the United States Quarantine Station at Reedy Island and there met a party of ladies from Port Penn. The station can only be visited by special permit. It is a very interesting place, though it must be extremely lonely as a residence, and has that reputation. The officers' houses on the island are nearing completion. Dr. McDowell boarded a large British steamer for the purpose of investigating its sanitary condition, and Senator Higgins and party accompanied him on the tug.

The two men who accompanied John Willis on the boat from whence he so mysteriously disappeared and was drowned near here on the 6th, are being entertained for murder. One of them was arrested here. Willis' body is to be exhumed to discover whether or not he died by violence. While hoping the innocence of these men in question may be proven, it is comforting to know that crime cannot escape investigation even in obscure out-of-the-way places. It is a horrible thought that oftentimes the foulest deeds may be committed in country places, where there are no officers of the law, to pursue the murderer or thief or worse. What is everybody's business is nobody's. Frequently, wicked deeds and lawlessness go unpunished and unnoticed because it is so much trouble, or too expensive to have the perpetrators apprehended.

## WILLIS' BODY EXHUMED.

County Physicians Hughes and Walker went to Hickory Grove Cemetery Thursday and made a post-mortem examination of the body of John Willis. The doctors were accompanied by State Detective McVey. The physicians refused to tell the result of the examination, giving as their reason for the refusal that they must first make a report to the attorney-general. As the men locked up were not released it was generally accepted that the doctors did not believe that Willis had been drowned.

## TOWNSEND TOPICS.

Mrs. Bertha West is visiting her parents here.

Richard Maloney, of Red Lion spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mrs. J. C. Hutchison is visiting friends at the Bombay Hook light house.

The creamery is getting from three to four thousand pounds of milk a day.

The new officers of the J. O. U. A. M. gave a "set out" for the council on last Friday evening.

Isaac Briscoe, colored, aged about 64 years died on Monday morning at the home of his sister near here.

If the weather should prove favorable the preaching service will be held in the grove on Sunday evening.

Mr. Ellis, a brother of the purchaser of the Trux farm moved on Thursday and will reside there.

Mrs. Jane